

31 JAN 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. R. L. Bannerman

SUBJECT : Nomination of Colonel White for the National  
Civil Service League Award

1. I met with Jean Couturier this afternoon. The essence of what was a very pleasant 25 minutes with him is that the League does not seek testimonials but is pleased to receive them if they are sincere and not obviously the result of an organized pressure campaign. There is no question, therefore, in my mind about the worth of a note from Mr. McCone and Admiral Raborn to Mortimer Caplin. I should think that to insure sincerity they simply be advised that the nomination has been made and provide the address of Mr. Caplin in care of the National Civil Service League.

2. The actual selection system is quite complicated--made so by an effort to insure full and objective consideration of the nominees. I have attached a list of all those who will this year participate in at least a first-round screening of the nominees. In addition, also listed are the Board of Directors who can also be addressed in that role. In reviewing this list, I note in the group identified as "Washington Friends of the League" the name Bryce N. Harlow, identified with Proctor and Gamble Manufacturing Company. I assume this is the Bryce Harlow who is now on the White House staff and may well now be personally known to the Director. The key group of four will be the first three listed: Mortimer M. Caplin, Bernard L. Gladieux, and John J. Corson plus Jean Couturier himself. If the Director would indicate those on the list to whom he would like letters prepared for his signature, we will start drafting. I should imagine, however, that there are some which he would prefer to handle himself. Attached also is a copy of the portfolio which was delivered today.

3. Jean indicated that he was pleased that we had resubmitted Colonel White and, in reading the Director's forwarding letter and scanning the summary statement, commented most favorably.

4. I need to pull together to give to Jean whatever we can get without going to Colonel White personally on his membership in organizations and societies, participation in civic activities or organizations, and media through which publicity might be given should he be selected.

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Robert S. Wattles

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## *Career Service Awards*

### *Purpose*

This National Civil Service League program is undertaken to strengthen the public service by bringing national recognition to significant careers in the Federal service.

The League will grant awards to ten career employees who exemplify in an outstanding manner the primary characteristics of the career service: efficiency, achievement, character, and service. Extensive publicity through television, radio, magazines, and newspapers will be given to the selections and the presentation of the awards.

### *The Award*

The Career Service Award recipients will be presented with a scroll and will be guests of honor at a dinner in Washington, D. C. to be addressed by a nationally prominent speaker and attended by many leaders of government, business, education, and the professions.

### *Basis of Selection*

#### 1. *Efficiency and achievement*

A record of exceptional efficiency; evidence of sustained superior performance and accomplishment.

#### 2. *Character*

A record of integrity and devotion to the principles of public service.

#### 3. *Service*

At least 10 years (including military service), not necessarily all in one agency. This must give evidence of achievement and career progression.

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